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Interview Summary

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Date of Interview: 19 November 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 30 and 45.

Identification of prior art discussed: Dillon (6067561), Arnold (6275848) and Tsai (6839741).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Attorney contacted the Examiner to discuss the claims in the pending application. Attorney somewhat agreed with the Examiner that Arnold does teach in some way storing an email communication but this was not similar to how the claimed invention is taught. Examiner disagrees and stated that even under the KSR obviousness rejection, the prior art could be modified in a way that is obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art since all that is done, on a basic level, is a storing a large document, with users having permission to retrieve the document and be notified that the document is waiting for them on a server system. Attorney further argued that the prior art does not teach tracking each recipient delete and save actions. Examiner pointed out that the claim language states to track delete OR save. Furthermore, the claim language does not state how the "tracking" is carried out and therefore leaves the limitation of tracking broad. Attorney further attempted to argue that the prior art is not the same as what is in the specification. Examiner stated that if that was the case, then it needs to be stated clearly in the claims, for it is the CLAIMS that determine the limiting factors of a case. Examiner also stated that the Tsai could also be utilized in the rejection for most of the reference teaches the application.